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SOUTH PADRE ISLAND RED TIDE STATUS

South Padre Island, TX – September 30, 2015: With the presence of red tide on South Padre Island, city officials have been closely monitoring cell concentrations and maintaining the cleanliness of our beaches.

Recent water samples have shown that cell concentrations are no longer increasing and remain steady throughout our area.

City crews have been on the beaches every morning to clean up any fish that have washed ashore; the fish are then buried at the toe of the dunes. Fish kill numbers have been decreasing along the shoreline and show slight improvement on a daily basis.

With Sandcastle Days taking place this weekend the City of South Padre Island will be taking extra precautions to keep the event running smoothly. “Sandcastle Days will be our top priority this weekend” said Reuben Trevino, Coastal Resources and Parks Administrator. Clayton’s Beach Bar & Grill, who will be hosting the event, will also have masks available for visitors who may need them.

For more information and updates regarding red tide you can visit the Texas Parks and Wildlife website at:
<http://tpwd.texas.gov/landwater/water/environconcerns/hab/redtide/>

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